GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF LPG
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are importing LPG to meet its demand in the country;

(b) if so, the quantity of LPG imported and the domestic production of LPG to meet the demand of LPG in the country during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government have made separate assessment of the cost of LPG produced in the country and the imported LPG;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the production cost of LPG produced in different areas of the country and the reasons for the difference in the costs;

(f) the rate of amount increase in the demand and supply of LPG in the country during the past three years; and; (g)the average percentage of quantum of LPG supplied for domestic and commercial use in the country during the above period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The production and quantity of LPG imported during the last three years was as under:-

(Quantity in Thousand Tonnes)

Year	Production	Import
1997-98	3454	1087
1998-99	3568	1525
1999-2000	4480 (Provisional)	1324 (Provisional)

excludes import by private parties.
Figure from April, 1999 to February 2000.

(c) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(f) The rate of increase in demand and supply of LPG during the last three years was as under:

1997-98	12.6%
1998-99	11.40%
1999-2000	17.6%

(g) The average percentage of quantum of LPG supplies for domestic and commercial use in the country during the last three years was about 94.6% and 5.4% respectively.